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| In re U.S. Patent Application of Swales |) | |
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| Application No. 10/003,123 |) | Art Unit: 2143 |
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| For: Messaging Application Layer Over |) | Confirmation No. 6276 |
| Ethernet to Transport Layer (TCP) |) | |
| Communications Method and |) | |
| Apparatus for a Modular Terminal |) | |
| Input/Output System |) | |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 27, 2006

MS: Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated July 27, 2006. The Office Action set a three-month period for response, thus making this paper due or before **October 27, 2006**. A petition for a three-month extension of time along with the associated fee is included with this filing. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment of fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.